

relative to the representative positions of a second plurality of the selectable portions.

2. A method according to claim 1, wherein deciding on at least one candidate for the selected selectable portion comprises determining offset distances between the selected position and the representative positions of the second plurality of the selectable portions and using at least said distances.

3. A method according to claim 2, further comprising determining the second plurality of the selectable portions by selecting those selectable portions whose offset distances are smaller than a predetermined distance.

4. A method according to claim 2, wherein the selectable portions represent symbols, with successive selection operations selecting a succession of symbols and building up a symbol string of successive symbols; and

deciding on at least one candidate for the selected selectable portion comprises deciding on a list of candidate symbol strings, each including previously selected symbols and one of said plurality of candidates for the selected selectable portion, arranged in an order of likelihood.

5. A method according to claim 4, wherein deciding on the list of candidate symbol strings comprises allotting scores to individual symbol strings of a plurality of potential candidate symbol strings, based on at least the determined offset distances.

6. A method according to claim 5, wherein deciding on the list of candidate symbol strings further comprises allotting scores to the individual symbol strings of the plurality of potential candidate symbol strings, based on the likelihood of those strings.

7. A method according to claim 5, wherein the score, W_{final} , allotted to a candidate symbol string is defined by:

$$W_{final} = a * W_{freq} + b * W_{distance}$$

where W_{freq} is an amount determined according to the frequency of use of the symbol string and $W_{distance}$ is an amount determined according to the determined distance for the candidate selectable portion in the candidate symbol string and "a" and "b" are constants.

8. A method according to claim 4, further comprising:

sending the list of candidate symbol strings for display;

detecting a confirmation operation, selecting one of the list of candidate symbol strings; and

sending the selected one of the list of candidate symbol strings for display.

9. A method according to claim 1, further comprising:

detecting a confirmation selection, confirming the or one of the candidates for the selected selectable portion as the selected selectable portion; and

repositioning the representative position for the selected selectable portion.

10. A method according to claim 8, further comprising repositioning the representative positions for the selectable portions represented by the symbols in the selected one of the list of candidate symbol strings, and which were selected by the successive selection operations.

11. A method according to claim 10, further comprising calculating where to move the representative positions for the selectable portions whose representative positions are

being repositioned, the calculation for where to move the representative position of a selectable portion being based on the offset distance of the selectable portion when it was selected and data relating to other selection operations.

12. A method according to claim 11, wherein the data relating to other selections comprises historical data relating to previous selection operations of at least that selectable portion.

13. A method for use in displaying a plurality of selectable portions in an image displayed on a screen, individual selectable portions being selected during selection operations where a selection operation indicates a selected position on the image, and each of said plurality of selectable portions having a representative position on the image, the method comprising:

determining a selectable portion selected through a selection operation;

determining an offset distance between the selected position and the representative position of the selected selectable portion; and

repositioning the representative position of the selected selectable portion using at least the determined offset distance.

14. A driver circuit for use in deciding a selectable portion that is selected during a selection operation from amongst a first plurality of selectable portions of an image displayed on a screen, where the selection operation indicates a selected position in the image and each of said first plurality of selectable portions has a representative position in the image, the circuit comprising:

a memory for storing the representative positions of the selectable portions

an input for receiving a selected position from a selection operation; and

a microprocessor for deciding on one or more candidates for the selectable portion being selected through the selection operation, using the position of the received selected position relative to the representative positions of a second plurality of the selectable portions, stored in the memory.

15. A driver circuit according to claim 14, wherein the microprocessor is operable to determine offset distances, being the distances between the selected position and the representative positions of the second plurality of the selectable portions and to decide on said one or more candidates for the selectable portion being selected using at least said offset distances.

16. A driver circuit according to claim 15, wherein the microprocessor is further operable to determine the second plurality of the selectable portions selecting those selectable portions whose offset distances are smaller than a predetermined distance.

17. A driver circuit according to claim 16, wherein the selectable portions represent symbols, with successive selection operations selecting a succession of symbols and building up a symbol string of successive symbols; and

the microprocessor is operable to decide on a list of candidate symbol strings, each including previously selected symbols and one of said plurality of candidates for the selected selectable portion, arranged in an order of likelihood.